

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-14 (Cancelled)

Claim 15 (Currently Amended). A mixture comprising:

a first solid phase support bound to a first molecule designated molecule

A, and

a second solid phase support bound to a second molecule A at a different position on the second molecule A than that bound to the first solid phase support;

wherein said mixture is prepared by binding each solid phase support to molecule A without specifying the binding portion on molecule A to the solid phase support, but where each of the solid phase supports is bound to molecule A at a different position on molecule A,

wherein the first and second solid phase supports are not bound to the same individual molecule A.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended). The mixture of claim 15, wherein the binding of ~~the~~ each molecule A to ~~the~~ each solid phase support[[s]] is conducted via a spacer introduced between ~~the~~ the first molecule A and the first solid phase support[[s]] and a second molecule A and the second solid phase support without specifying the introduction position on the molecule A side.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended). The mixture of claim 15, wherein (1) the binding of ~~the~~ each molecule A to ~~the~~ each solid phase support is conducted via a functional group introduced to ~~the~~ each molecule A, and (2) the introduction of the functional group is conducted without specifying the introduction position on the molecule A side.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended). The mixture of claim 16, wherein the introduction of the spacer to ~~the~~ each molecule A is conducted via a functional group introduced without specifying the introduction position on the molecule A side.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended). The mixture of claim 17, wherein the introduction of the functional group to ~~the~~ each molecule A without specifying the introduction position on the molecule A side is based on a chemical reaction or an enzymatic reaction.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended). The mixture of claim 19, wherein the introduction of the functional group to ~~the~~ each molecule A without specifying the introduction position on the molecule A side is based on an enzymatic reaction.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented). The mixture of claim 20, wherein the enzymatic reaction is conducted using a metabolic enzyme.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended). The mixture of any one of claims 15-21 or 31 wherein ~~Molecule A~~ molecule A is a ligand for affinity chromatography.

Claims 23-30 (Cancelled)

Claim 31 (Currently Amended): The mixture of claim 18, wherein the introduction of the functional group to ~~the~~ each molecule A without specifying the introduction position on the molecule A side is based on a chemical reaction or an enzymatic reaction.

Claim 32 (Currently Amended): The mixture of claim 15, wherein molecule A  
~~Molecule A~~ is FK506.

Claim 33 (Currently Amended): The mixture of claim 15, wherein molecule  
~~Molecule A~~ is a steroid hormone.

Claim 34 (Currently Amended): The mixture of claim 15, wherein molecule  
~~Molecule A~~ is an anticancer agent.

Claim 35 (Currently Amended): The mixture of claim 15, further comprising at least one other solid phase support bound to another molecule A at a position on molecule A different from that bound to the first and second solid phase supports, wherein said third solid phase support is not bound to the same individual molecules A bound by the first or second solid phase supports.

Claim 36 (New): A mixture comprising:  
ligand molecules of a single type independently bound to at least solid phase support via a first position on each ligand molecule, and  
ligand molecules of the same type independently bound to the at least one solid phase support via at least one position, different than said first position, on the ligand molecules;  
wherein said ligand molecule A when not bound to a solid phase support binds to a target molecule B.

Claim 37 (New): A mixture comprising:

ligand molecules of a single type each independently bound to a first solid phase support via a first position on each ligand molecule, and

ligand molecules of the same type each independently bound to a second solid phase support via at least one position, different than said first position, on the ligand molecules;

wherein said ligand molecule A when not bound to a solid phase support binds to a target molecule B.